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TO AMEMBASSY TANANARIVE IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:PDIP, EINV, MA, US

SUBJECT:GDRM PURCHASE OF LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT

REF: TANANARIVE 1907

1. REQUEST YOU FORWARD FOLLOWING LETTER OVER YOUR SIGNATURE TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORTATION AND TOURISM:
2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. MINISTER: I HAVE BEEN ASKED BY MY GOVERNMENT TO REPLY TO YOUR RECENT LETTERS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, THE TEXT OF WHICH I CABLED TO WASHINGTON, CONCERNING YOUR GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE TO PURCHASE TWO LOCKHEED L-100-20 AIRCRAFT.
3. THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON HAVE TAKEN CAREFUL NOTE OF YOUR STATEMENT CONCERNING THE CIVILIAN PURPOSES FOR WHICH YOUR GOVERNMENT PLANS TO USE THE AIRCRAFT IN QUESTION. THEY HAVE ALSO NOTED YOUR EXPECTATION THAT YOUR MINISTRY'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH LOCKHEED WILL CONCLUDE WITH THE SIGNING OF A PURCHASE CONTRACT PRIOR TO

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NOVEMBER 30, 1976.

4. I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO ADVISE YOU THAT MY GOVERNMENT NOW HAS UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION THE LOCKHEED GEORGIA COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR AN EXPORT LICENSE FOR THE

TWO AIRCRAFT. IF APPROVAL OF THAT EXPORT LICENSE IS A PRE-CONDITION FOR THE SIGNING OF THE PURCHASE CONTRACT BETWEEN YOUR MINISTRY AND LOCKHEED, YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT MY GOVERNMENT'S CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPORT LICENSE APPLICATION WILL, BY NOVEMBER 30, HAVE PUT MY GOVERNMENT IN A POSITION TO ACT FAVORABLY ON THE APPLICATION. END TEXT. ROBINSON

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